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TOPIC 1. Air Force Headquarters at Wittenberg

2. Wittenberg Airfield 25X1A

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1. On 1 May 1951, no construction work was being done on the barracks building of the air force headquarters in Wittenberg. The sentry wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Individual groups of officers and soldiers passed by the gate between 7:30 and 11:30 a.m. The highest ranking officer seen was a major. It was observed that an air force senior lieutenant had a golden ribbon around his service cap, similar to that worn by the officers of the former German Navy. No radar sets or radio installations were seen. Passenger car [redacted] 25X1A and trucks [redacted] passed through the gate. 25X1A

2. Five two-seater biplanes were parked at the improvised airfield south of the Elbe River. About 200 air force men were seen in formation in the yard of Brueckenkopf Kaserne. No AA gun emplacements were seen in the vicinity of Elbe River bridges. *

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* [redacted] Comment. A fighter corps headquarters and an ATD headquarters are stationed in Wittenberg. The airfield near Wittenberg is used only by PO-2 courier planes. The field is too small for occupation by an operational unit.

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